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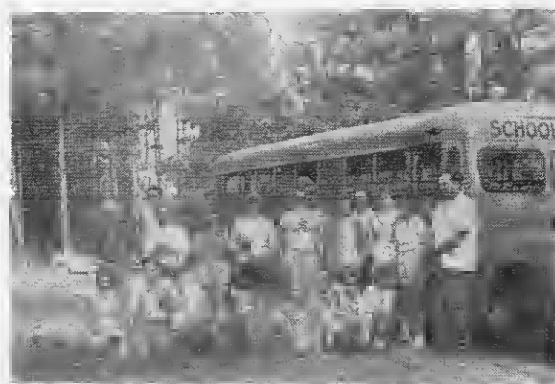
GEORGIA-SOUTH CAROLINA
FAMILY CAMP
AUGUST 18-25



Enjoying the lake



PF Fellowship Commission, left to right: Lawrence
Mann, Pete Sanford, Joe Allen, Ann Sullivan, and
Ronnie Baturin



Charleston group

Georgia-Carolina Camp

The summer conference this year was held at Camp Juniper, a new location, about 30 miles east of Columbus, Ga. There were 86 campers — the youngest, a baby less than a year old, and Spot, the Lightbourne family's dog, were the quietest and best behaved.

The Rev. Thomas Shreve did a wonderful job of pinch-hitting as Dean for the Rev. Edw. Knight. Much credit for well-planned meals and delicious food is due Mrs. Peter Doherty, Miss Bernice Peace and the assistants from Columbus First Church. Miss Peace served in a dual role as both cook and camp nurse.

The Fellowship Commission of the SEC Pilgrim Fellowship met daily during the Interst Group periods. Pete Sanford served as chairman along with Ann Sullivan, Joe Allen Elder, Ronnie Baturin and Lawrence Mann.

The VBS, with 17 children, was conducted by Steveta Green and Mrs. Jas. H. Lightbourne Jr. Supt. Lightbourne was chaplain and conducted both Chapel and Vespers, also teaching an adult class on Church Ethics.

Serving as teachers and leaders were the Reverends W. A. Blankenhorn, A. P. Wilson, Goff Bedford, Douglas Wasson, James McAdams, Masaru Takahashi (from Japan), and Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Goff Bedford, Mrs. McAdams and Sandra Mason. The largest delegation from any one church was the group of 17 from Charleston, arriving by chartered bus. About 50 campers went to see "The Little White House."

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

Sat., Nov. 16 Sun., Nov. 17

Instruction . . .
Inspiration . . .
Fellowship . . .

CHURCHMEN'S RALLY AND WORKSHOP

Leaders: Walter Graham (C. C.)
Ken Köhler (E. & R.)

Complete details in October issue.



Rev. and Mrs. John Schofield with daughter, Frances

USF Conference At Defiance College

Attending the national United Student Fellowship Conference and Assembly at Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio, Aug. 27 - Sept. 3 were Miss Bettye Slater of Chattanooga, Tenn., junior at the University of Tennessee; Miss Denada Cecil of Robbins, Tenn., and Gene J. Watson of Georgiana, Ala., sophomores, and John D. Atkinson of St. Petersburg, Fla., freshman, all of Southern Union College.

Miss Slater represented the USF of Kentucky-Tennessee, Miss Cecil was the USF delegate from the Southeast Convention, Watson represented the Southern Union USF and Atkinson the Florida USF.

Theme of the conference was "The Students' Vocation — Critical Thinking." Dr. Luther Harshbarger, chaplain of Pennsylvania State University, gave the conference lectures; Dr. Lionel Whiston, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at Eden Theological Seminary, was the Bible Study leader; and the Rev. Nicholas Hood, pastor of the Central Congregational Church of New Orleans, was the conference chaplain.

Pilgrim Fellowship Rally

The South Alabama - NW Florida Pilgrim Fellowship will hold its next rally on Sept. 28 - 29 at the Antioch Congregational Christian Church in Andalusia, Ala.

—Wayne Graves, President

New Minister At Lanett

The Rev. John Donald Schofield begins his ministry at the Lanett Congregational Christian Church on Sept. 15th.

He was born near Champaign, Ill., but spent his early life in Indianapolis, Ind., graduating from Technical High School. He attended Earlham College and graduated at Evansville College, with a major in Sociology and a minor in Religion. He has some credit towards a Master's degree in Religious Education, and has studied at the Indiana Christian University in Indianapolis.

Mr. Schofield was ordained in the Methodist Church in 1947, then transferred to the Congregational Christian denomination that fall. For eight years he was pastor of our Union Church at Evansville, Ind. While there the congregation built a new church and purchased a new parsonage. For the last two years he has been pastor of our First Church in Gary, Ind.

Mr. Schofield is a World War II veteran, having served in the Navy for 25 months in the southwest Pacific theatre of operation. He has served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Indiana State Conference, and as moderator of his association. The last two years Mr. Schofield has been chairman of the state conference Department of Evangelism. He was a member of the faculty of the Merom School for Pastors, teaching courses in Bible, Church History, and Practical Helps for the Pastor.

Active in community affairs, Mr. Schofield was secretary-treasurer of the Lake County Council of Churches and an active member of the Gary Kiwanis Club.

The pastor's wife, Eva Lee Schofield, a native of Illinois, has served on the state board of the Women's Fellowship, and has filled several offices in the association. She was chairman of the Stewardship and Thank Offering Department of the association. Mrs. Schofield is interested in music, and her hobby is flowers.

The Schofields have one daughter, Frances. She graduated from Bosse High School, Evansville, Ind., in 1952. Frances has been church organist and pianist for several years, and music is her hobby.

Exceeding Abundantly

Members of First Congregational Church of Knoxville were gladdened by the coming of a most wonderful shepherd to our parish. After two years of being without a pastor, we count ourselves "exceeding abundantly" blessed in once again having a minister and his wife of our very own.

When the Meserves arrived at their temporary manse in Knoxville, they were overwhelmed to find the results of an old Southern custom — a church pounding.

The attractive sign, "First Congregational Church", of gleaming white letters resplendent on black plexiglass fashioned by the excited fingers of one of the charter members, Frank Haile, had scarcely become adjusted to its corner until the line "A. Ray Meserve, Minister" was added to it. Only six weeks after we occupied the church building, subsequent to a trial sermon and open house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Blair, the Rev. Mr. Meserve assumed the pastorate. During his first sermon on Aug. 4, Mr. Meserve said, "There are many reasons why I would not have accepted your call, but the main factor that decided my acceptance was the spirit of you people who extended the invitation."

Mr. Meserve was born in Maine, but has lived in the Boston area most of his life. He did his seminary work at Andover-Newton Theological School and graduate work at Harvard, where he completed the residence requirements for a Ph. D. in Religion. He was married to Katherine Hunter in Boston's Old South Congregational Church. Mr. Meserve has been in the ministry 21 years, and First Congregational is his sixth charge. For the past three years he

has been engaged in church fund raising. Mr. Meserve says:

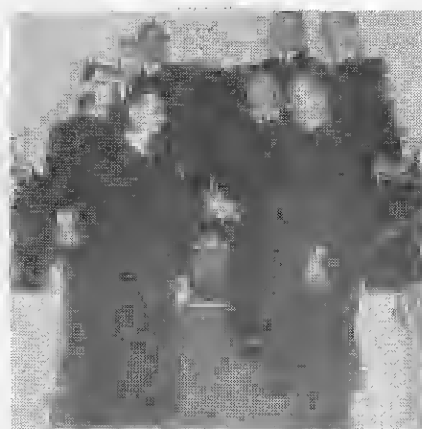
"Church financing has changed radically in the past few years. We used to think that a church had to be subsidized by a few wealthy members. Now we realize that the real wealth of America is in the hands of the many. The churches are better off than in the past and are supported by civic-minded, rather than merely wealthy people. We raised over \$3,000,000 for 27 churches of nine denominations. They were from Maine to Georgia and in New Zealand."

And this introduces Mrs. Meserve, for it was while in New Zealand conducting a financial canvass that Mr. Meserve met his future wife. Then she was serving as a secretary at Navy Headquarters.

Almost immediately Station WATE of Knoxville extended an additional courtesy. Beginning with the Rev. Meserve's third sermon, First Congregational Church was televised for four consecutive Sundays extending through Sept. 8.

Within six weeks a church building, a minister and his wife, and an expanded Sunday morning listening audience — these and more, "above our ability to ask or think," in all things First Congregational Church is giving thanks "exceeding abundantly". Rejoice with us and "unto Him be glory" in all churches "by Christ Jesus".

—James T. White, Moderator
Kenneth Coile, Clerk



Clockwise, from 7 o'clock position: the Reverends Berry, Thompson, Moorhead, Lightbourne Jr., Wasson, Campbell, Chatham, and Shreve

INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR W. RAYMOND BERRY

On the evening of Aug. 25, a service of installation was held in the United Congregational Christian Church of LaGrange, Ga., for the Rev. W. Raymond Berry. Mr. Berry assumed his responsibilities as pastor in July. He was formerly minister of the Antioch Congregational Christian Church of Andalusia, Ala. Mr. Berry received his B. D. degree from Hartford Seminary in the spring of 1954. Mrs. Berry is also a graduate of Hartford, with a degree in Christian Education.

Supt. James H. Lightbourne Jr. preached the sermon, and other parts of the service were by the Reverends Frank Moorehead, pastor of First Methodist Church, LaGrange; Roy Chatham, pastor of Hillside Church of LaGrange; Thomas Shreve, pastor of Oak Grove Congregational Christian Church of Chipley, Ga.; Edgar A. Thompson, pastor of Stonewall Street Church of God of LaGrange; Annie R. Campbell, Minister of Christian Education of the SEC; and Douglas Wasson, PRO and acting president of Southern Union College.

Mrs. Maynard Burnham is Director of Music for the LaGrange church, and Mrs. Hollis Tidwell is organist.

Following the service a social hour was enjoyed in the Fellowship Hall of the United Church.

Dean Horton Elected

The 79 member Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches, which met at Yale University in July, elected Dean Douglas Horton of the Harvard Divinity School to be its chairman.

The former minister and secretary of the General Council of Congregational Christian churches will head this international group "which has as its sole purpose the promotion of the unity of all Christian people."



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Dreams Do Come True

For Dr. May Cravath Wharton the opening and dedication of the May Cravath Wharton Home on June 23 in Pleasant Hill, Tenn., was the realization of another of her dreams for the Cumberland Plateau area.

The first was Uplands Cumberland Mountain Sanatorium; the next was the completion of the Van Dyck unit for treatment and care of tubercular patients.

Then 1950 saw the opening of a much broader and more serviceable undertaking when the first patients were admitted to Uplands Cumberland Medical Center in Crossville, Tenn.

Finally, with the completion and dedication of the May Cravath Wharton Home, the third phase of a pioneer's desire to bring relief and happiness to many has been realized. Here the older folk will find a safe, comfortable place to live and enjoy the sunset of life.

Senator Estes Kefauver, Tennessee's Senior Senator, gave the dedicatory address, coming from a busy schedule in Washington for this occasion.

SEC ministers on the program were the Rev. Abram Nightingale of Crossville and Dr. Paul R. Reynolds of Pleasant Hill.

The home has been built with the

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEK SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 6

Each fall a week is set aside for special emphasis upon the church's work in the field of Christian Education. We turn our thoughts to the many millions of children who are going through childhood untouched by the Christian faith. And yet there has been a tremendous increase in church school enrollment. There is a general consciousness on the part of many people of their spiritual needs and of the needs and interests of their children. Last fall there were 3,000,000 volunteer teachers and officers working in American church schools in which 39,000,000 pupils were enrolled. It is of vital importance that each church observe this special week in one way or another, for we must bring to the attention of our communities the importance of Christian Education to the culture of our times. Here are some suggestions for observing Christian Education Week, Sept. 29 - Oct. 6.

1) Observe Christian Education Sunday, Sept. 29, in the morning service. The sermon should emphasize the need for better and more far-reaching Christian education. (The text might be Deut. 6:4-9) In this service could be a special dedication service for Teachers and Parents. This is the Sunday before a new quarter will begin; children will be beginning a new grade in both public and church school; and

due recognition can be made of the faithful church school workers.

2) This is an excellent time for the Christian Education Committee to have thorough study and evaluation of its program.

3) A program on Christian Education in Woman's Fellowship can stimulate interest among the women and give them ideas of ways in which they can help in this church's program. All suggested programs for September are on the subject of Christian Education. The program on page 109 of the Program Book, "The Educational Program in Our Church", is especially fitting for the meeting nearest to Christian Education Week.

4) Pilgrim Fellowship might have a program on Church Vocations, discovering the many persons who are involved in the educational program of the church — minister, director of Christian Education, superintendents, teachers, staff, etc.

5) A Family Night could be held at which time families can come together to discuss the educational program of the church, and perhaps see a film-strip (such as: "Growing As World Friends", "The Growing Teacher," or "The Great Adventure."

—Shirley N. Berry, chairman
SEC Christian Edu. Comm.

assistance of state and federal Departments of Public Health, a Ford Foundation Grant and with gifts from many, many people in all walks of life.

Dr. Wharton has been the recipient of many honors in these later years as a result of her pioneer work in the fields of health and medicine on the Cumberland Plateau. On the evening of June 10, at the 71st annual Commencement of the University of Chattanooga, she was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, in recognition of high personal attainments and many services to the citizens of Tennessee."

Each year the University selects a theme, such as education, business, journalism, and the like. This year the subject was medicine and health, and the speaker was Dr. Robert H. Felix, Director of the National Institute of

Mental Health at Bethesda, Md. The honoree was Dr. Wharton.

This is only one in a series of honors that has come her way since the publication of her autobiography, *Doctor Woman of the Cumberlands*. In June 1953 Carleton College presented her with its Alumni Achievement Award in recognition of her "outstanding service to humanity in the field of medicine, and in the organization of facilities for medical care."

In 1954 the Tennessee Tuberculosis Association gave her the Kranz Memorial Award in recognition of her "outstanding service in the field of tuberculosis control", and in 1956 the Tennessee Medical Association named her "Outstanding General Practitioner of the Year."

The Superintendent's Page

There are several matters I would like to discuss with you this month. I hope you are as interested in them as I am. The time is at hand for our churches to be thinking about their pledges to **Our Christian World Mission**. Probably you are already making this a matter of your concern. If we are to continue to make progress in our local churches and in our Southeast Convention, we will need to raise our pledges over what we are doing this year. For some of the churches this will not be too great a problem. They are on the march and for years to come will be showing steady progress. For others it will be a problem. Yet each of our churches can make a generous response, and I am certain you will. We all want to be part of a growing organization. We all want to share in our mission work at home and abroad. We do this through **Our Christian World Mission**. When your church is contacted concerning its pledge, remember that our Program of Progress and our contribution to the work of our fellowship of churches throughout the world depend upon our cheerful and generous support.

As I travel about the convention, visiting churches, meeting with ministers, committees and other groups, I discover that many of us have questions we would like to ask about how the convention operates, how its officers and committees are elected — questions about a variety of things. When Miss Campbell and I are at hand the questions can be asked of us directly. But sometimes we are not there. Yet we would like to answer your questions. So I have a suggestion. When there is something you would like to know, just write a letter to the convention office and we will be happy to give you the information you seek. This is your convention and you are the convention. You should know just how and why we do things. Whenever there is something you do not understand, it helps us for you to give us the opportunity to answer your questions.

It Pays To Advertise

There is something else I have noticed as I have traveled about the con-

vention by car. Most of the churches of other denominations believe in the slogan, "It Pays to Advertise". The motorist driving along the highway will be informed that there is a Baptist Church five miles down a country road, the name of its minister, and, sometimes, when services are held. The same is true in the villages and towns. The churches located on the main street on which traffic moves through the town have prominent and dignified signs telling the name of the church and giving other information. When the churches are located on adjacent streets there are signs telling the church is there and how to get to it.

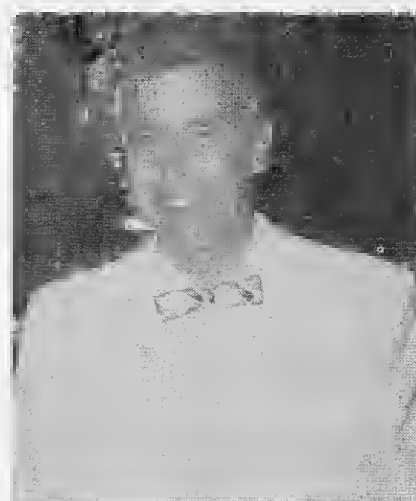
We ought to take the slogan, "It Pays to Advertise", just as seriously as they do. Yet many of us do not have signs in front of our churches. There is no way for the stranger to know what kind of a church it is, the name of the minister, and when services are held. An investment in a sign could help a lot. People would know that this is a Congregational Christian Church.

And we ought to have signs directing people to our churches both in the towns and in the country. It is good psychology. It will direct some people to us. It will let others know our name and make our name familiar to them. Signs are an evidence of "welcome". And, by the way, it will help the superintendent find his way to some of our churches!

Signs can be made or purchased inexpensively. I think they would be a good investment. How about it? Does your church have signs? Do you tell folks who you are and how to reach your church?

Evangelism

And now another matter that is close to my heart. A favorite season for revival services is about over. The summer seems to be the time when we concentrate on this means of winning new members to our churches. But we ought not to stop there. Every church should be working all the time on winning new members. One of the best ways to do this is through visits made by members of the church on people who might be interested. Let



REV. JAMES H. LIGHTBOURNE, JR.

us resolve to work at winning new members all year long so that at the end of this year we can show a record of growth. If you need suggestions to help you in your "Program of Evangelism" write the convention office or Rev. John B. Crutcher, 1518 Edmunds Ave., Phenix City, Ala., chairman of the Committee on Evangelism.

—James H. Lightbourne Jr.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 16 - 30 — Every Church Cavanaugh.

Sept. 24 — Board of Directors meeting in Atlanta.

Oct. 5 - 6 — North Ala. Asso. meeting at Steele, Mt. Lebanon Church.

Oct. 7 - 8 — Central Ala. Asso. meeting at Mt. Creek Union Church.

Oct. 9 - 10 — South Ala.-NW Florida Asso. meeting at Pyron's Chapel Church.

Oct. 12 - 13 — Kentucky-Tennessee Conference meeting at Crossville First Church.

Oct. 16 - 17 — East Ala. Asso. meeting at New Hope and Forest Home Churches.

Oct. 18 - 19 — Georgia-South Carolina Conference meeting at Demorest Federated Church.

Oct. 6 — World Wide Communion Sunday.

Oct. 20 — Laymen's Sunday.

Oct. 27 — Reformation Sunday.

Church News....

The **United Church of LaGrange** was very fortunate in having the Rev. Sam D. Nelson to serve as supply pastor while we were without a minister. He did a magnificent job, with 21 additions to the church, and was faithful in his visits to the sick in hospitals and homes. On Aug 2 he preached his last sermon as our supply pastor; the church held a family night with a bounteous supper and presented him with a tape recorder. We pray that God will bless the Rev. and Mrs. Nelson in their work as servants in the Kingdom of God.

On June 9 the Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Berry assumed their duties as pastor and leaders of our church. That afternoon the church honored them with a reception. In the receiving line with Mr. and Mrs. Berry were A. L. Bryant, Miss Anne Halman, and Mrs. John Laubenthal.

Both the Rev. and Mrs. Berry have endeared themselves to everyone, and especially to the youth of the church. They served as co-directors of the work camp at Southern Union College July 28-August 10. Circles of the Women's Fellowship and the Men's Club made it possible for three of our splendid young people to accompany our pastor and his wife, and church members entertained 15 of the campers in their homes during the weekend of Aug. 3-4. The young people were Nancy Newberry, Paul Parker and Larry Abbott.

The church has a new sign, through the efforts of John Hodnett and the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. The men's club has plans for an outdoor bulletin board to be glass-enclosed. The Pilgrim Fellowship will furnish an on-off clock so that it will be automatically lighted each evening for a number of hours.

Church services are being broadcast regularly over a local radio station. Future dates will be Sept. 22, Oct. 27, and Dec. 1.

The Pilgrim Fellowship entertained a weekend planning conference for the PF officers of the Southeast Convention Aug. 31 - Sept. 1.

—Mrs. John Laubenthal

Ft. Valley Society Hill Church was honored to have Supt. James H. Light-

bourne Jr. as guest preacher on Sept. 1.

James Beckham was re-elected chairman of the deacons on their first meeting for this church year, which was held the night of Aug. 4.

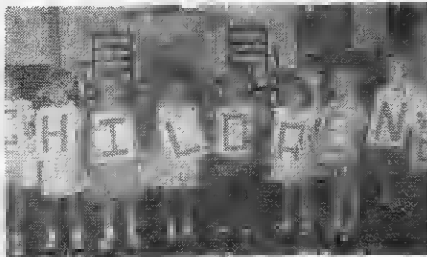
Baptismal services were held on Aug. 11, with a good attendance.

—Mrs. Bobby Jones, reporter

The **Enigma Christian Church** members will remember June 16 not only for its traditional purpose of honoring Father's Day but as another milestone in the long history of the church.

Spiritual warmth stirred the congregation when Mr. and Mrs. James C. Herndon stepped forward with their infant son to dedicate him to God, just as they had stepped out of the congregation to be united in matrimony. This was the first Christening recorded in the history of the church since its establishment in 1908.

During the evening service a dedication service was held for Vacation



Children's Day program at Enigma



Christening Service at Enigma: Kenneth Holyoak, Godfather; Mr. and Mrs. James C. Herndon, parents; Mrs. J. B. Barfield, great-aunt and Godmother; James C. Herndon Jr. and Rev. Otto Culpepper

Bible School teachers and leaders. The school was very successful, with an enrollment of 80 and an average attendance of 54 for the 8-day session. Every mother with children attending the school proved her interest by offering a helping hand. Each day four different ladies served delicious refreshments. A children's program ended the session on June 30 and the church was filled to capacity. Every child in each class participated and it was an inspiring occasion. After the program an open house was held with the craft work on display for the parents to see.

—Vernon C. Harris

On Aug. 17 the **Daisy Congregational Church** sponsored a Country Fair, with "fun for the whole family", which included a ham supper, rides, auction, country store, and entertainment.

—From the church bulletin

Rabbi Abraham Feinstein was the guest preacher at **Chattanooga Pilgrim Church** on Aug. 18. Rufus G. Obrecht conducted the Order of Worship.

The Board of Religious Education initiated a Vacation Summer School which was a most successful venture. It will hold the annual retreat for teachers on Sept. 15 to formulate programs for the coming year. Members are Mrs. Leonard Munson, chairman; Eric Swanson, general superintendent; Mrs. Allison Slagle; Mrs. James M. Gager Jr., junior superintendent; Mrs. R. A. Kampmeier, teacher of the upper junior class; and Mrs. Carl Denison, coordinator with Pilgrim Fellowship.

—From The Pilgrim News

A comprehensive adult education program has been begun at **Crossville First Church** by the new pastor, the Rev. Harold Wiley Freer. Included in the program will be an adult Bible class, two evening study discussion groups (more will be organized as requested), and a lecture-discussion series on Wednesday evenings before Christmas of six programs on "Spiritual Aspects of Poetry."

—From church announcement letter

From the **Langdale Church**, Rev. Carroll W. Lewis, minister, and a car load of laymen attended the National

Laymen's meeting in Oberlin, Ohio.

On Aug. 11 the church held a Family Night program at Sides Camp.

James Lasley attended the Boy Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge in July.

New officers were elected for the coming year, to take over in October.

—From the church newsletter

The Rev. and Mrs. Clarence W. Baldwin, with Kathy, their daughter, are already very busy with the leadership affairs of Birmingham Pilgrim Church.

A Family Night and mid-week service was held on Sept. 4 on the building site for discussion of building plans.

The opening meeting of the Pilgrim Fellowship was held on Sept. 8.

Mrs. Charles R. Plosser, who has been secretary of the church for more than 20 years, has retired. During this tenure she has been more than just a secretary; she has been counsellor, pastor, administrator and stenographer. She has been the adhesive that has held the church organization together.

Mrs. Allan Saunders has accepted the position as Mrs. Plosser's successor. The Board of Trustees and the minister feel confident that Mrs. Saunders will prove to be just as valuable an asset to the church as was Mrs. Plosser.

Beginning Sept. 8, a unified church and Sunday school program will be in effect until the time arrives for moving into our new edifice. Sunday School will begin at 9:30 a. m. (for all ages) and Morning Worship at 10:00 a. m. Classes for Junior age up through Adults will be dismissed at ten in order that they may attend worship service. Nursery through Lower Juniors will have extended class sessions in their own departments until 11:00 a. m.

—From church newsletter

The members of Elder Church are proud of the "new look" their church is wearing — brought about by the installation of new pews, a new pulpit and communion table.

Less than a year ago, at a business meeting, the idea of new pews was brought up. Knowing that if our faith was as great as our need it would open doors for us, we voted to buy these things. It has taken a lot of work and the cooperation of everyone has been remarkable. The women quilted quilts, the men planned and gave two barbecue suppers, the Pilgrim Fellowship



SEC laymen attending meeting in Oberlin, Ohio, Aug. 23-25: first row, A. B. Snell, W. A. Hodnett, Pressley Ingram; second row, Rev. Carroll Lewis, O'Neal Mason, John Dollar, Allan Saunders; third row, John W. Wilder, W. O. McGoll, and V. R. Dobson.

sponsored a spaghetti supper and a community building was sold. In 7 months enough funds were raised to not only pay for the new furnishings but to have the floor sanded and varnished too.

A Vacation Bible School was held the last week of June, with 35 children enrolled and an average attendance of 31. Miss Louise Duck was in charge, with Sue Brassel, Aaron Duck, Mrs. Barrett Ingram and Mrs. Woodroe Washburn as helpers. Stools were made by the Junior High class to be used in the beginners' Sunday School room.

The newly elected officers of the Women's Fellowship are Mrs. Edward Duck, president; Mrs. Barrett Ingram, vice-president; Mrs. Woodroe Washburn, secretary; and Mrs. Carl Jennings, treasurer.

The Rev. Clyde Flannery of Brookmeade Church in Nashville, Tenn., was the visiting preacher at the revival which began Aug. 4 and continued through Aug. 11. At the closing service 9 young people united with the church. A group of young people from the Work Camp at Southern Union College attended services on Aug. 7.

—Mrs. Woodroe Washburn, reporter

A GREAT TEAM

It is good news to all in the Southeast Convention that Dr. and Mrs. Paul R. Reynolds have purchased a home in Pleasant Hill, Tenn., and will be permanent residents of this area. Dr. Reynolds was asked to serve as Pastor Emeritus of Community Church after his retirement.

The Reynolds came to Pleasant Hill in March of 1954, and Dr. Reynolds preached his last sermon as church pastor on June 30, 1957. A series of heart attacks that gave warning of too heavy a load of work carried too long resulted in his decision to resign.

Dr. Reynolds, in addition to being minister of the Community Church, was administrator for the Community Center, which included the AMA farm, the Craft Shop, Thrift Shop, Kandy Kitchen, Guest House, and Pioneer with its varied activities — office, library, and social center. He was also a member of the Uplands Board of Directors, chairman of the committee to supervise the building of the \$300,000 Nursing Home, and member of the Board of Trustees of Southern Union College.

Friends of the Reynolds will be happy to learn that Mrs. Reynolds has recovered from her recent eye operation.

Their youngest daughter, Miss Barbara Reynolds, was recently married to E. David Stoloff of Lodi, California. Miss Reynolds is a registered occupational therapist and is currently on the staff of Eastern State Hospital in Knoxville. Mr. Stoloff is now employed as senior area planner in the East Tennessee office of the Tennessee State Planning Commission in Knoxville.

The oldest son, Bob, is a doctor in St. Louis; Paul Jr. is training for the ministry.

Dr. and Mrs. Reynolds served together as missionaries in China, working with young people in the mission school for 14 years. When conditions in China caused them to be recalled to the United States, they continued to work under the Board of Home Missions in the Christian Education Division, dealing especially with young people and summer camp programs. Later they headed the Young Adult and Family Life work. Their work with family camps and institutes made them known and loved wherever they went.

Southern Union College

Dr. Henry Hofman Diehl, Ohio educator, will join the SUC staff during the 1957-58 academic year as Dean of Students. A major part of Dr. Diehl's teaching will be with the new basic engineering program.

Dr. Diehl is a native of Springfield, Ohio, and had his educational work at Hamilton College, Oberlin College, and Ohio State University. He received his master's degree in mathematics at OSU in 1955 and will receive his Ph. D. in the same field in December 1957. He will join the SUC faculty in January.

Mrs. Diehl, the former Johanna Kobel, will also be a member of the college faculty in the Business Education department. She is also to receive her degree in December 1957.

Madam Lilly Justus, celebrated New York concert soloist and voice instructor, will join the staff this September as assistant professor of music.

Madam Justus is a graduate with the master's degree from the Royal Hungarian Academy of Music in Budapest. Her special fields included voice, operatic drama as well as emphasis on voice instruction. From 1925 to 1938 she was a soloist in leading opera houses in Germany, Austria, and Hungary. During this same period she was an associate professor in the Music Conservatory at Budapest.

When war clouds gathered in Europe, Madam Justus came to America and since then has been associated with the Emerich School of Music in New York City and also with the Music Conservatory of Camille Caputo. During World War II Madam Justus was employed by the U. S. government and was assigned to the Atomic Energy Commission as a bibliographer in foreign languages.

Robert W. Taylor, former assistant professor of horticulture and agronomy at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute's Experiment Station, will join the staff as an assistant professor of science. Mr. Taylor's appointment will greatly strengthen the institution's science department and allow for the



The evaluation session by the 26 members of the two-week camp held on the campus of Southern Union College in Wadley, Ala., July 28 - August 10. The camp was sponsored jointly by the SEC Pilgrim Fellowship and the Congregational Christian Service Committee. Southern states of Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and Florida were represented by 12 young people; 14 boys and girls represented the states of Indiana, Wisconsin, Kansas, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and New York.

The campers had a busy two weeks with work, worship, study and discussion, recreation and trips.

The Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Berry were co-directors; Miss Annie Campbell served as business manager and Girl's Counselor, Mrs. Carl Landes was dietitian, and Coach Bentley and Professor Edge of SUC directed the work projects.

All the young people reported a most enjoyable and worthwhile two weeks and are looking forward eagerly to work camp in 1958.

expected expansion in enrollment in this field. Mr. Taylor holds both his B. S. degree and M. S. degree from API.

Additional Scholarship Winners

Awarded the SUC Honor Scholarship through their local high schools were Roy Gene Scott of Chapman, Ala.; Miss Zelma Janice Berry of Dozier, Ala.; Miss Agnes Elaine Owen, Greenville, Ala.; Miss Freddie Joyce Brown of Five Points, Ala.; and Miss Argle Jeanette Luker of Delta, Ala.

The award is a grant of \$100 for the year, renewable for the second year if the student maintains a high scholastic record.

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People And Places

The Rev. Collie Seymour has accepted a call to Albemarle, N. C., moving to his new field on Sept. 3rd. Mr. Seymour has been serving the Garden City-Mountain Grove churches and also had the responsibility of the North Alabama Area Ministry.

The Rev. and Mrs. Paul McCartt are happily settled in their new field of service in South Solon, Ohio. Mr. McCartt formerly worked with the Rev. Arnold Slater in Pilgrim Congregational Church of Chattanooga and served the Pisgah Congregational Christian Church in Alabama.

The Rev. Warren A. Blankenhorn has accepted a call to Andalusia Antioch Church, moving to the field early in September.